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To: Regional Coordination Councils and Lead Agencies Date: January 6, 2015

From: Fred Butler, Public Transportation Administrator

Re: SFY 2016-2017 5310 Purchase of Service applications & funding

The Department of Transportation announces the availability of Federal funds to support coordinated transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2016 and SFY2017. The intent of this 5310 Purchase of Service (POS) initiative is to expand the availability of transportation services in New Hampshire, support the goals of the 2006 "Statewide Coordination of Community Transportation Services" plan, and to maintain and expand regional services funded for the past several years.

As was the case since the inception of the POS funding initiative, funds have been allocated by region and distributed to a single lead agency or designated regional transportation coordinator in each region. Funds are considered capital funds and require a 20% non-federal match. Properly documented in-kind match is permitted consistent with Federal guidelines as noted in the Department's In-Kind Match Memo and 5310 POS Questions & Answers found online the NHDOT Transit Funding Page.

Agencies wishing to apply for these funds should submit a 5310 Purchase of Service **application** with required attachments, and evidence of the agency's designation as the lead agency or regional transportation coordinator by the Regional Coordinating Council (RCC). The applicant should attach a detailed description of the proposed use for purchase of service funds and an itemized budget, including rates of reimbursement proposed for volunteers or other providers, together with verification of the availability of 20% matching funds.

The total funding available for regional distribution for SFY 2016-2017 is \$1,834,563 and is comprised of \$1,600,000 of Federal Highway STP transfer funds and \$234,563 of carryover 5310 POS funds, i.e., from regions that did not expend such from prior contracts and/or from funding that was obligated in grants but not committed in contracts.

The available funds (\$1,834,563) were allocated by region according to a formula based on regional populations of residents over 65 and those between the ages of 0-64 with disabilities, using 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates <u>data</u>. Each region was allocated a minimum of \$20,000, plus a proportional amount based on \$4.00 per person for

disability population and \$2.07 per person for seniors 65+. Federal funding available to each region follows:

	SFY 2016		SFY 2017		TOTAL SFY16/17
	(7/	1/15-6/30/16)	(7/	1/16-6/30/17)	(7/1/15-6/30/17)
Region 1	\$	97,744	\$	97,744	\$ 195,488
Region 2	\$	50,897	\$	50,897	\$ 101,794
Region 3	\$	138,184	\$	138,184	\$ 276,368
Region 4	\$	50,126	\$	50,126	\$ 100,251
Region 5/6	\$	96,291	\$	96,291	\$ 192,582
Region 7	\$	119,676	\$	119,676	\$ 239,351
Region 8	\$	120,260	\$	120,260	\$ 240,520
Region 9	\$	81,376	\$	81,376	\$ 162,752
Region 10	\$	162,728	\$	162,728	\$ 325,456
Total	\$	917.282	\$	917,282	\$ 1,834,563

Applications for the above referenced funds must be submitted to the Department no later than 3:00 PM on **February 16, 2015** for a contract start date of July 1, 2015. Applications submitted after February 16th may result in a contract that does not receive Governor & Council approval until after July 1st and will therefore result in a contract that will not go into effect until the date of that subsequent Governor & Council meeting date.

For more information, please contact Fred Butler (fbutler@dot.state.nh.us).